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PATENT APPLICATION

# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

#### **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please delete claims 17 and 18 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 3, 5-10, 13, 16, 19 and 20 as follows:

Claim 3, line 1, change "any previous claim" to --claim 1--.

Claim  $\frac{3}{5}$ , line 1, delete " or claim 4".

Claim 6, line 1, change "claims 3 to 5" to --claim 3--.

Claim 7, line 1, change "any previous claim" to --claim 1--.

Claim 8,/ line 1, change "any of claims 1 and 3 to 7" to --claim 1--.

Claim 9, line 1, change "any of claims 2 to 7" to --claim 2--.

Claim 10/ line 1, change "any previous claim" to --claim 1--.

Claim 13, / line 1/ change "any previous claim" to --claim 1--.

Claim 16, line 1, change "claims 13 to 15" to --claim 13--.

Claim 19, line 1, change "claims 13 to 16" to --claim 13--.



Claim 20, line 1, change "claims 1 to 12" to --claim 1--.

## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-16, 19 and 20 are pending. By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 17-18 are canceled and claims 3, 5-10, 13, 16, 19 and 20 are amended to eliminate multiple dependency. Prompt and favorable examination is respectfully requested.

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